LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

301 State House (317) 232-9855

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6200 DATE PREPARED: Feb 8, 2001
BILL NUMBER: SB 83 BILL AMENDED: Feb 8, 2001

SUBJECT: Child Care Providers and Child Abuse Registry.

FISCAL ANALYST: Kathy Norris **PHONE NUMBER:** 234-1360

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill defines "child care provider" for purposes of the Child Abuse Registry as a person who provides child care regardless of whether the person is required to be licensed or registered. The bill allows a person, upon submitting a consent for release of information, to access certain information in the Child Abuse Registry regarding a child care provider who is providing or may provide child care for the person's child or an individual at least 18 years of age who resides with the provider and who may have direct contact with children for whom the child care provider provides child care. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Board for the Coordination of Child Care Regulation.)

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill allows a parent to check the status of a child care provider on the state Child Abuse Registry. The bill specifies that the child care provider must first sign a consent for release of information that would allow a parent who is considering placing his or her children with the provider to access the Child Abuse Registry at a county Office of Family and Children. The Division of Family and Children believes that any additional workload resulting from this bill can be absorbed within the current staffing level of the local Offices of Family and Children.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Family and Social Services Administration, Division of Family and Children.

Local Agencies Affected:

SB 83+

Information Sources: Amy R. Brown, Legislative Liaison, Division of Family and Children, (232-4451).

SB 83+ 2